IN THEIR BLABORATE REPORT.

Expert Government Constructor Pronounces Their, Work a "Paredy Upon the Science. of Architecture."

The report of the commission appointed last year to investigate the completion of the State capitol was submitted to the general assemble on Monday of last week. The report contains very serious cirticisms of the work done by the contractors. Mc-Ilvain Unkefer Co., under the supervision of the architect, Frank P. Milburn, and the original commission. for accepting the work. Those members of the commission who approved the final report of the contractor and of the architect were: Gov. Mc-Sweeney, M. R. Cooper, secretary of state; Representatives Gantt and W. J. Johnson, and the following from the sinking fund commission: Senator Mower, Representative J. Har-vey Wilson, G. Duncan Bellinger, attorney general; J. P. Derham, comptroller general; R. H. Jennings, State treasurer. The governor and the secretary of state were also members of the sinking fund commission. The investigating committee's report sustains the protests made from time to time by Senator Marshall, which were not headed by the commission, and his minority report to the legislature which brancht about the investigation.

lature which brought about the investigation. The investigating commission consists of Senators Robert Aldrich and R. I, Manning, Representatives J. O. Patterson, J. M. Rawlinson and T. Y. Williams, by whom the report is signed. THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

After some preliminary statements the committee says the subject matter for our consideration is the work done upon the State House to complete the building, and the manner of its performance. By an Act of the General Assembly, approved 17th February, A. D., 1990, the sum of one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars of the sinking fund was appropriated of the sinking fund was appropriated "to complete the State House," and a commission consisting of the Governor, Secretary of State, one member of the Senate and two members of the House, was designated "with the sinking fund commission to take charge of and direct the completion of the State. the Senate and two members of the House, was designed to the which is all the Senate and two members of the House, was designed to the tracts, including the employment of an architect, and to see that the said work is completed according to the contract, and to do any and every act necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act; provided, that the funds be used unless a contract be asses for the same season and the season of this Act; provided, that the funds be used unless a contract be assess for the same season of th

we corresponded with Officer States Senator B. R. Tillman, and solicited his aid in the matter. With his usual promptness and efficiency, he put us in communication with Mr. Elliott Woods, superintendent of the Capitol at Washington, who recommended to us Capt. S. S. Hunt, chief constructor of the United States Capitol buildings

building and make even a casual exam-

work, notably in failing to specify in detail what the contractors were required to do in many instances, but leaving the same to be decided by the architect, thereby vesting large discretionary powers in himself, which could, and we are constrained to say, should have to correspond with the contractors, required to be and designed to be modified after them, are coarse, unsightly and unfit to stand beside the old ones.

6. The columns at the rear of the portico, joining the main building, should have to correspond with the course of time, will be affected more or less by the weather and will become, by the cracking of the joints, unstable. Now, the water-table stending up already, and a change of this course at the base of the tower; the portico, joining the main building, should have to correspond with the course of time, will be affected more or less by the weather and will become, by the cracking of the joints, unstable. Now, the water after every rain. The fill-through their misconduct and breach ing up already, and a change of this ing up already, and a change of this joints and stone work are cracked and could, and we are constrained to say, should have to correspond with the were exercised to the state's injury.

It has not been so done, but a mean, crude and cheap quality of work has been done, marring the effect of the fine work upon the main building; and disappointing everyone who hoped to disappointing everyone who hoped to disappointing everyone who hoped to the state.

In ramy weather, together with much raised joint in the stone to protect it in the new worl. This does not appear in the new worl. This does not appear in the new worl. This ame character, been done, marring the effect of the fine work upon the main building; and disappointing everyone who hoped to disappointing everyone who hoped to disappointing everyone who hoped to the portion in bad weather, we find that and is built up three inches and a half the results in from leakage. This does not appear in the new worl in the new

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caused to be put in the main lobby a splendid steel ceiling, which was a splendid steel ceiling, which was a work of art, as well as of a durable, lasting nature, highly ornamental and a delight to the eye of every observer; by the terms of the contract, this ceiling to one-half inch in size. The gravel by the terms of the contract, this ceiling on the steel ceiling could have been finally nailed. Testimony the gravel to be from three-sixteenths to one-half inch in size. The gravel to en-half inch in size, the stones, to the stones, to the stones of the archimage in the gravel of the stones of the contract, said bond have been finally nailed. Testimony the stones of the contract, said bond have been finally nailed. Testimony the stones of the commission on deteriment to the strength of this part of the completion of the State House, to secure and guarantee the faithful pertimates the gravel to be from three-sixteenths the gravel to be from three-sixteenths and elegible to as steep one and wholly inapplicable to as steep one and wh

these columns and the accompanying parts they were to support is \$4,500. There are two massive square piers under the portico. They were designed to support these missing columns and some of these four or five feet to support these missing columns and some of these four or five feet to support these missing columns and some of these four or five feet the materials and perform all the work support the support these missing columns and some of these four or five feet the materials and perform all the work support the support these missing columns and some of these four or five feet the materials and perform all the work support the support these missing columns and some of these four or five feet the materials and perform all the work support the support ompage 61 of the report of the commission is a letter from Architect Mil-

and attended a meeting of the committee at the State House on the 25th and 26th days of May, A. D., 1903, went all over the building, in company with your committee, and point- and rigid piece of work. It is imported out separately, and in detail the tant that this should have been done ed out separately, and in detail the different pieces of defective work, all of which is described in his testimony annexed to this report. Capt. from the building, and the bond of Hunt impressed your committee as a conscientious and able man, fully alive always carried out to counteract the to the requirments of the work in hand, and fearless in performing it.

Your committee feel constrained to report generally that the minority report of Senator J. Q. Marshall is fully sustained by the evidence taken and by the visible facts for all to see for themselves who choose to the control of the bracing and analysis.

should have to correspond with the front columns, lintel stones extend-

4. The plans and specifications and ing with a resolution as follows: "Resolved, That it does appear to the completion of the Commission for the completion of the State House that the work is satisfactory; and that the contract has been substantially performed." Page 89, majority report. At the time a minority report was made by one member of the commission, Senator J. Q. Marshall, whereby the attention of the legislature was called to many effects in the work.

The matters referred to in these two reports put your committee in possession of what they had to investigate. The first thing they felt called upon to do was to secure the services of a competent man familiar with this kind of work, skilled in his calling, and of such eminent standing in his profession as to entitle his testimony to full respect to the main building away, which eminent standing in his profession as to entitle his testimony to full respect to the main building and the connect the source of the main building, and solicited his aid in the matter. With his usual apart, with but a single thickness of thin galvanized material between the bearings. This is not sufficient to hold this work or to keep it in its proper shape. This could only have how and grounds, who he recommended as a "first-class contractor, who had over forty years' experience in the erection of large buildings." etc. Accordingly your committee employed Capt. Hunt at a salary of \$15 per day, the sum stated by Mr. Woods to be his usual compensation, besides his traveling expenses. He came and examined plans and specifications of Architect Milburn, for the completion of the State House, and the work done thereunder, and attended a meeting of the company with your committee, and point, and asside the structure. The stone linted and 26th days of May, A. D., 1903, went all over the building, in company with your committee, and point, and experimental that is now on the bold this work or to keep it in its prohold the propagation. We can take these out without in any way marring the appearance from the exterior and without in any way inthe critical five the grounds, and such parts of the present done by putting a circle iron frame, so to conform with the circle of the work and the galvanized iron frame, so to conform with the circle of the work and the galvanized iron frame, so to conform with the circle of the work and the galvanized iron frame, so to conform the work and the galvanized iron frame, so to conform the work and the galvanized iron frame, so to conform upright position. There is only one bracket there, and probably two-thirds of the circle out of that. There should be two more of these iron brackets. The glasses and inner work are not properly in shape, very crudely done, it is secure, but roughly put on. Those little galvanized iron strips are crude, cheap work.

according to plans and specifications.
The plans and specifications say all ments of the work with disastrous reby the visible facts for all to see for "Well, if the bracing and anchoring of themselves who choose to go over the these rods has been done as carelessly man-like manner. In that respect it is The water closets installed under-committee was appointed requires us these rods has been done as carelessly as a great portion of the construction throughout this building, I certainly should question its safety."

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2. The contract requires that all of the work was to have been done with the old work upon the completed portions of the building as the standard. It has not been so done, but a mean, leave the senate with injustice, this can only be constructed in the light of ridicule constructed in the stone to stop the water from being driven through and cause leakage. It will become necessary, I should say, that this work should be entirely gone over and all joints exposed to the weather, or all surfaces, should be corked with the inner dome, where there is nothing to stop the water from being driven through and

of the large lintel stones, which carries its portion of the gable, is cracked, apparently entirely through and is
ed, and the testimony taken, reve

tion to be placed upon it and that in carrying away and disposing of this valuable property of the State they

were naked trespassers.

The glass floor to the porticos, in the opinion of the expert should not have been put in. The architect had the choice of other old and reliable styles! nose rithe galvanized from strips are and passed them over to make an expectation and passed them over the expectation and passed them over t

else, are defective, and will cost the until such time as the finances of the contract under which the work was done, are on file in the office of the Secretary of State, copies of which are berefo annexed and a sample of what

page 20.

11. We call attention to a serious defect in the rear portico, between two of the columns, which support it. One factors to justice and to some extent

We feel that what we have reported, and the testimony taken, reveals a dark picture, it is true, but nothing short of an actual inspection of the work can convey an adequate idea of the monstrous swindle of which the State is the victim, appropriately portrayed in the closing words of Capt.

Hunt's testimony:
"The introduction of stamped metal work in the ceilings of these massive portices; the utter disregard for the strength of the structure by the removal of the two inner columns which were to carry the bond lintels for securing the pediments of the main structures; the unfinished manner in which the tin gutters were left without the absolutely necessary brick backing—leaving the vertical sides of the gutters, which are twenty inches or more in height, of one thickness of tin entirely unprotected from the pressure of water in the time of even an ordinary fall of rain-this, with natural deterioration of sheet tin, makes it inconceivable why this work should have been left in its present condition.
Unless something is done at once to rectify this blunder, the interior of

the building is liable to be flooded at any time, either from corrosion or the expansion and contraction of the me-"This together with the rough and

combustible nature of the main roofs the crude and unfinished character of the metal ceilings of the lobby, the monstrous manner in which the inner dome was finished, made this work a parody upon the science of architecture and an insult to the fame of John Niernsee and a disgrace to the

RECOMMENDATIONS. The resolution under which this

Robert Aldrich, Richard I. Manning, On the part of the Senate. J. O. Patterson, J. M. Rawlinson, T. Y. Williams, On the part of the House.

The Death Penalty. A little thing sometimes results in

disappointing everyone who hoped to see the State House completed in accordance with its original design.

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